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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form based on Form PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicants have not submitted copies of cited U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications. Applicants submit herewith copies of cited foreign patents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

Additionally, Applicants hereby apprise the Examiner of the following patents and patent applications, including the contents of the file wrappers, the claims, any Office Actions issued therein, and any Notices of Allowance issued therefor:

1) U.S. Patent No. 6,583,015 (Attorney Docket No. ASC-042), issued on 6/24/03 to Fitzgerald *et al.*, the Office Action mailed 5/22/02, and the notice of Allowance mailed 1/28/03;

2) U.S. Patent No. 6,846,715 (Attorney Docket No. ASC-042C1), issued on 1/25/05 to Fitzgerald *et al.*, and the Notice of Allowance mailed 9/21/04;

3) U.S. Patent No. 7,217,668 (Attorney Docket No. ASC-042C2), issued on 5/15/07 to Fitzgerald *et al.*, the Office Actions mailed 9/21/05 and 2/21/06, and the Notices of Allowance mailed 5/26/06 and 12/26/06; and

4) U.S.S.N. 11/520,175 (Attorney Docket No. ASC-042C3), filed on 9/13/06 by Fitzgerald *et al.*, and the Office Action mailed 10/10/08.

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